DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

February 15, 1983



ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-22-83

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: REVISED FORM CA 20, STATEMENT OF FACTS SUPPORTING ELIGIBILITY FOR

ASSISTANCE (REDETERMINATION)

REFERENCE: ACIN I-34-82

Attached is a copy of the revised CA 20 form used in the annual AFDC redetermination process and a list of all changes made to the form at this time.

The CA 20 was revised in order to accommodate regulation changes resulting from the Federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981. In addition, suggestions and recommendations received since the form was implemented in 1979 were also considered and, where possible, incorporated as part of this revision. Input for the revision of this form was provided by ten counties, the California Welfare Fraud Investigators Association, and the County Forms Advisory Committee. This final version was developed with the assistance of the County Forms Advisory Committee.

Significant improvements made to this revision are:

- 1) Added the fraud statement to the coversheet, including boxes for the recipient and eligibility worker signatures.
- Expanded and clarified the subsection on the coversheet titled "What You Have To Do". This new added language should help the recipient understand what is expected of him/her.
- 3) Added a statement at the beginning of the form explaining what the phrase "You or Your Family" means, and deleted "(. . . any member of your family for whom you are receiving aid)" from each of the questions. This will save space, make all questions more direct, and deletes redundant language.
- 4) Changed format and typeset to improve legibility and allow for more efficient completion of the form.

5) Redesigned the certification section and revised the language in order to highlight the importance of this section.

The CA 20 should not be used for initial eligibility determinations and its use at redetermination remains unchanged, i.e., not mandatory. If your county elects to use the CA 20 for redeterminations, the process should include a review of the last completed CA 2, all intervening CA 7s, and any other pertinent case record information.

We suggest that current supplies of the CA 20 (3/79) be exhausted prior to using the new (12/82) version. You will be informed via the GEN 127 process when regular supplies of the CA 20 are available from the DSS Warehouse. Ordering of the CA 20 may be done by using the form GEN 727B county ordering procedure. Spanish translations of this form should be available within a month of the English.

As with all forms used in administration of the AFDC Program, the Program Systems Bureau maintains an open suggestion file for future revisions. If you have any suggestions or recommendations for improvement to this form, please submit them to:

AFDC Forms Coordinator AFDC Program Systems Bureau 744 P Street, M.S. 16-31 Sacramento, CA 95814

If you have any questions regarding the use of this form, contact your AFDC Program Management Consultant at (916) 445-4458.

Sincerely.

KYLE S. McKINSEY
Deputy Director

Attachment

cc: CWDA

FORM CA 20 CHANGES DECEMBER 1982

COVERSHEET

- 1. Made minor word changes to the introductory paragraph.
- 2. Deleted the second paragraph from 3/79 revision and added similar language in #1 above.
- 3. Provided additional information about the redetermination process in the paragraph titled "WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO".
- 4. Relocated fraud statement from certification section and provided boxes for recipient and eligibility worker signatures.

RIGHTS SECTION

5. Reworded the second statement.

RESPONSIBILITIES SECTION

- 6. Reworded the introductory paragraph.
 - Added two new examples of income to the first statement.
 - Reworded the sixth, seventh and ninth statements.
- 7. Reworded the paragraph immediately following the last responsibility.
- 8. Relocated the statement "If you don't cooperate . . . discontinued." to the introductory paragraph.

PAGE 1

- Added a statement explaining to recipients what the phrase "you or your family" means.

Item 1

- Added space for telephone number.

COUNTY USE COLUMN

- Added a box for noting the date the CA 20 was received.

Item 2 (NEW) - For noting address change.

Item 3A (Formerly Item 2)

- Deleted the phrase "include unborn children".
- Deleted the "other adult" and "unborn child" boxes.

COUNTY USE COLUMN

- Added boxes for the EW to check if birth certificate/social security numbers are on file.
- Added a check box to indicate if a CA 22 (Alien Sponsor's Statement) needs to be completed.

Item 3B (Formerly 3)

Item 3C (NEW) - to determine status of someone receiving aid because of pregnancy.

COUNTY USE COLUMN

- Added a box as a reminder to make the WIC referral, if appropriate.
- Added a box to indicate if the special need payment being allowed because of pregnancy is to continue.
- Added a box to indicate that the pregnancy verification is already on file.

Item 4

- Reworded statement and deleted two lines.

COUNTY USE COLUMN

- Deleted reference to CA 2.2 (Stepfather Questionnaire).

Item 6

- Added three new examples: "Social Security", "Loans" and "Grants".

Item 7

- Redesigned the section and rearranged data items.

Item 8

- Deleted two lines.
- Removed the phrase "or other resources which . . . into cash" and replaced with "etc".

PAGE 2

Item 9

- Redesigned section and reworded question.

COUNTY USE COLUMN

- Added language regarding completion of the HRB 2 Health Care Questionnaire, if appropriate.

Item 10

- Redesigned section and reworded question.

Item 11

- Added the phrase "If yes, list . . . tools, etc.".
- Added the phrase "Do not list . . . household furniture.".
- Deleted three lines.

Item 12A (NEW)

Item 12B (Formerly Item 12)

- Reworded the question and redesigned the section.

Item 13A (Formerly Item 13)

- Reworded the phrase "Complete the following . . . ".
- Made minor word changes to the question.

Item 13B (Formerly Item 13)

- Reworded the question.

CERTIFICATION SECTION

- Moved the fraud statement to the Coversheet.
- Added a statement acknowledging full understanding of the content of the Coversheet.
- Reworded the statement "After answering all questions . . " to "you and your aided spouse . . ".

SIGNATURE SECTION

- Added separate perjury statement for each signature.
- Rearranged order of data items.

COUNTY USE COLUMN

- Added a Redetermination Summary checklist to assist workers.
- Added a box to note when the Redetermination was completed.

The yearly review of your AFDC eligibility is now due.

Reason for Yearly Review (Redetermination)

The welfare department is required to completely redetermine your eligibility (review all items of eligibility in your case record) for AFDC at least once every 12 months. This redetermination assures that eligibility still exists and that you are receiving the correct grant. If you do not cooperate in the redetermination process, your case may be discontinued.

Your Rights as an AFDC Recipient

- To discuss any action regarding your case with the welfare department any time you are dissatisfied.
- To be notified in writing, usually at least 10 days before the effective date of reduction, discontinuance or change in your grant.
- To request a state hearing if you are dissatisfied with any action of the welfare department.
- To have your records kept confidential by the welfare department.
- To be served without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, political affiliation, marital status, sex, handicap or age.
- To be treated with courtesy, consideration and respect.
- To receive aid without interruption when you move from one county to another if you remain eligible.

Your Responsibilities as an AFDC Recipient

You must report the following kinds of changes to the county welfare department within 5 days of occurrence and on your Monthly Eligibility Report (CA 7). Be sure to report when:

- You receive money from work, relatives, social security, unemployment, disability or veterans' benefits, tax refunds or any other source.
- You begin or stop work or training.
- You begin to receive free rent or utilities where you live.
- Your income increases, decreases or stops.
- You receive or dispose of real or personal property, including purchase or sale of homes, vehicles, etc.
- Your child(ren) age 16, 17 or 18 begins or drops out of school or training.
- You or your spouse terminate a pregnancy for which you are receiving benefits.
- Someone, including your children, moves into or out of your home.
- You move to another address, you visit or intend to visit outside the county or state for more than 30 days.
- You get married, become separated or divorced.
- You reunite with your spouse or the absent parent returns to the home.

If you aren't sure that a change should be reported, contact your eligibility worker. If you receive aid for which you are not eligible, you will have to repay it.

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